AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 5, 16, and 17 of the Application as follows, without prejudice; the status of all claims being as indicated:

Claims 1-4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (currently amended): Platinum temperature sensor comprising:

a ceramic substrate;

a platinum thin-film resistor applied to the ceramic substrate;

a ceramic cover layer; and

a connecting layer made of a glaze <u>comprising a glass</u> that is applied to the ceramic substrate in a frame-like shape in a border area surrounding the platinum thin-film resistor by means of which the ceramic cover layer is connected with the ceramic substrate in such a way that the platinum thin-film resistor is sealingly encapsulated with regard to the environment, wherein an interior portion of the connecting layer defines a void within which the platinum thin-film resistor is disposed.

Claims 6-13 (canceled)

Claim 14 (previously presented): Platinum temperature sensor according to claim 5 wherein the ceramic substrate is made of Al_2O_3 .

Claim 15 (previously presented): Platinum temperature sensor according to claim 5 wherein the ceramic cover layer is made of Al_2O_3 .

Claim 16 (currently amended): Platinum temperature sensor according to claim 5 wherein a sealing cover is applied to the outer peripheral edges of the layer structure consisting of comprising the ceramic substrate, the connecting layer, and the ceramic cover layer.

Claim 17 (currently amended): Platinum temperature sensor according to claim 16 wherein the sealing cover is made of <u>a</u> glass.